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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, applicants hereby bring the attached article by Tanikawa et al to the attention of the examiner. This reference is listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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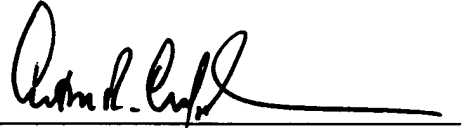
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